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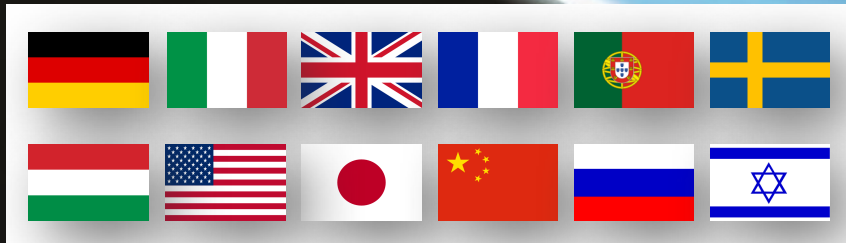
Horizon 2020 EuPRAXIA design study

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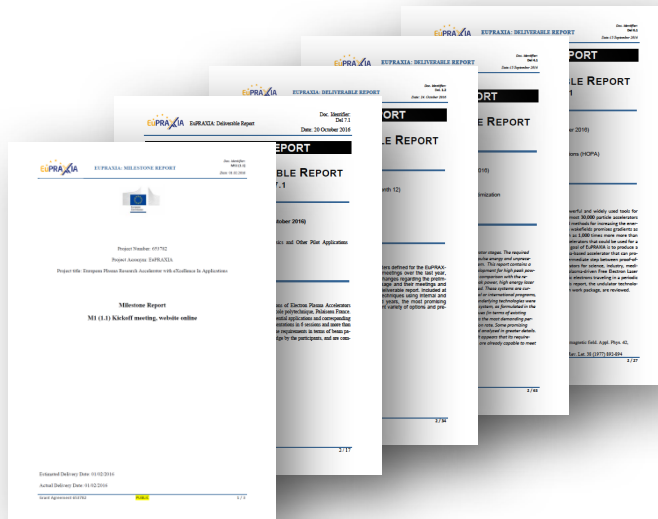
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- EuPRAXIA is an EU Horizon 2020 project
 - One of two accelerator related design studies funded, other is EuroCirCol (FCC) from CERN
- Develop plasma technology for user readiness:
 - Incorporate established accelerator technology for optimal quality
 - Combine expertise from accelerator and laser labs, industry, and international partners



- 15 scientific reports produced in first 18 months



- **Final Conceptual Design Report published in October 2019**

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- Imperial College London
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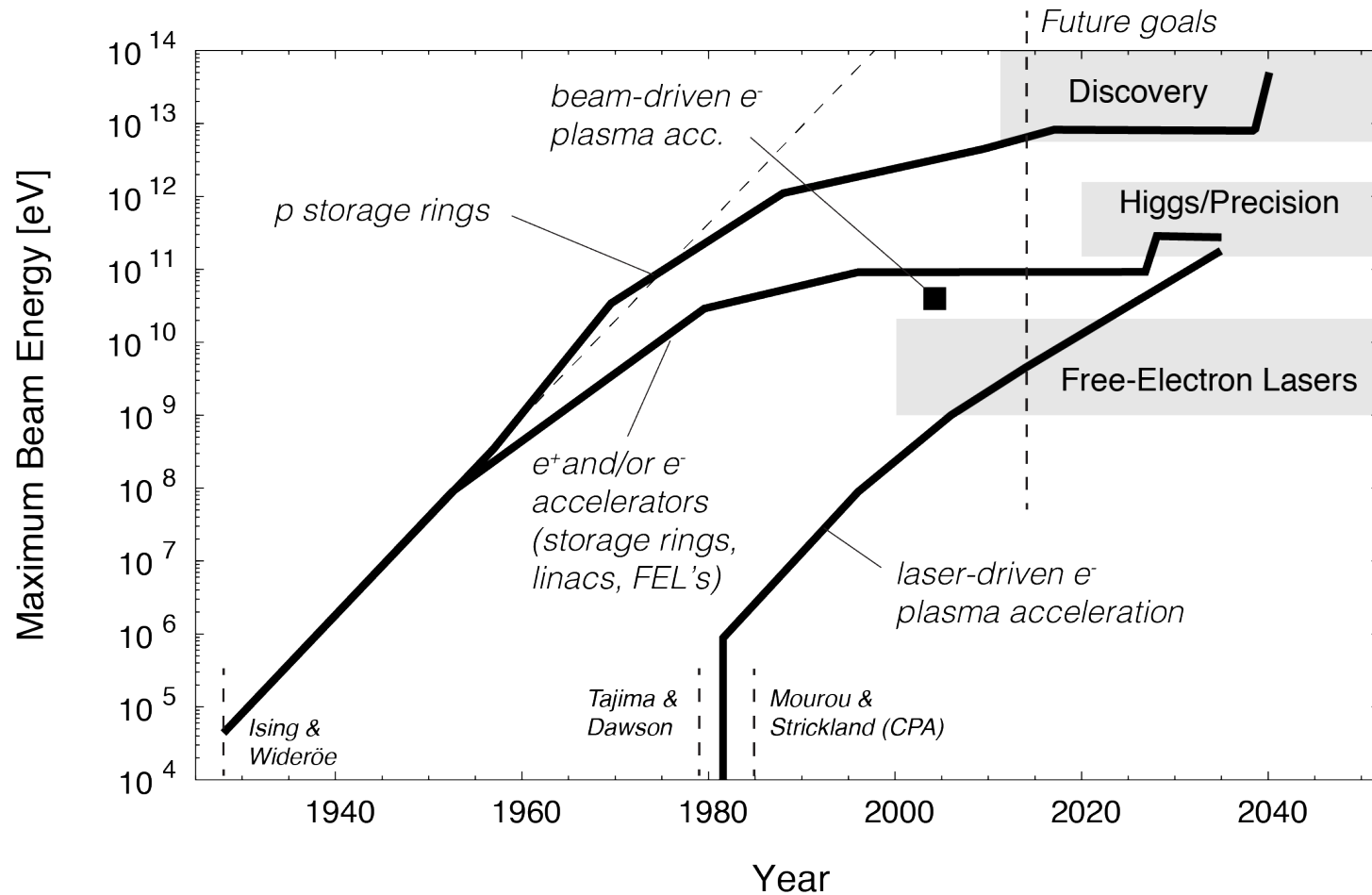
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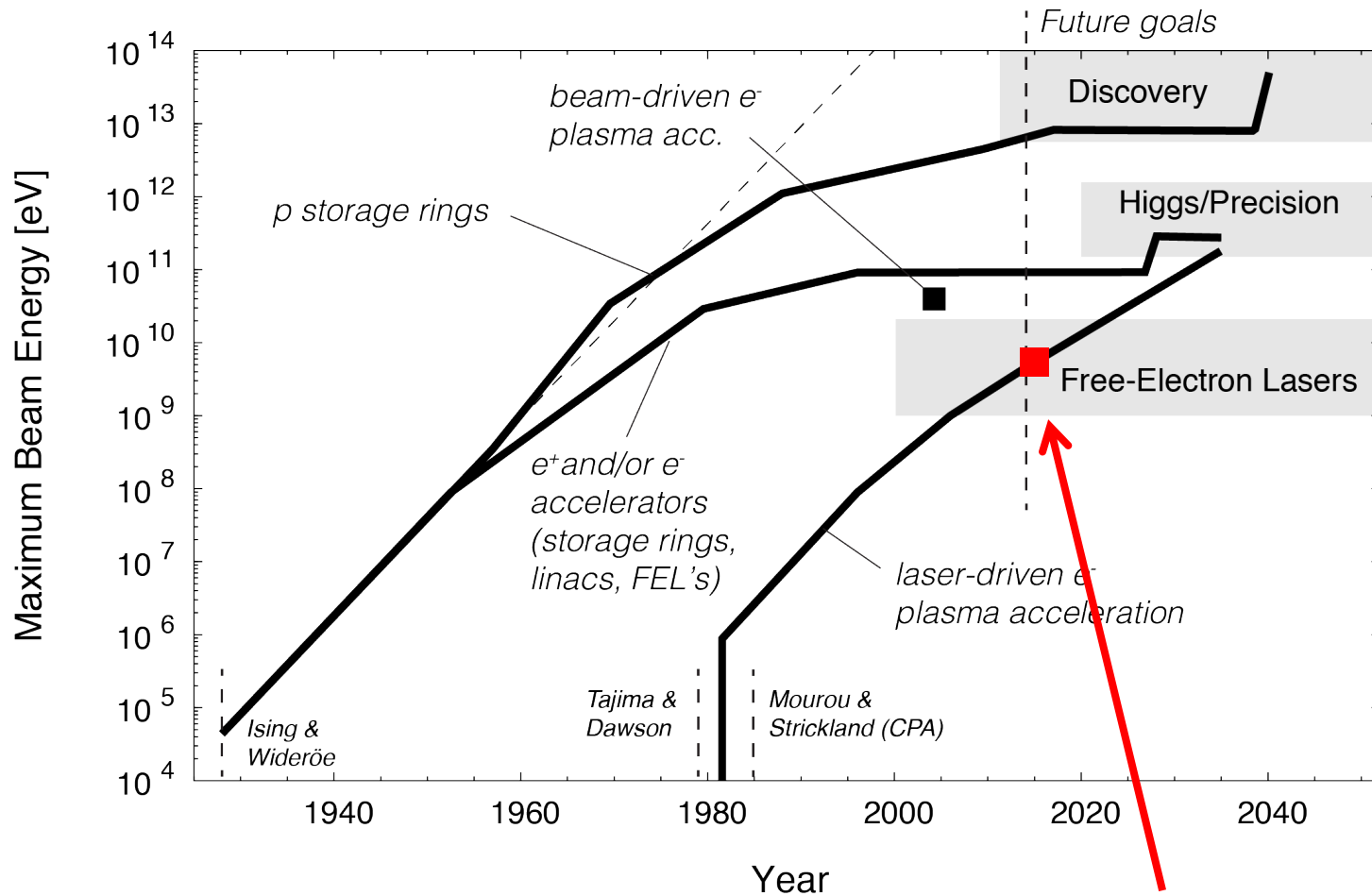
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- Plasma accelerators reach energy regime of ongoing construction projects
- Acc. length of 9 cm instead of 100 m for multi GeV e⁻ beams [1]
- EuPRAXIA is **required stepping stone** to bring plasma accelerators to user readiness

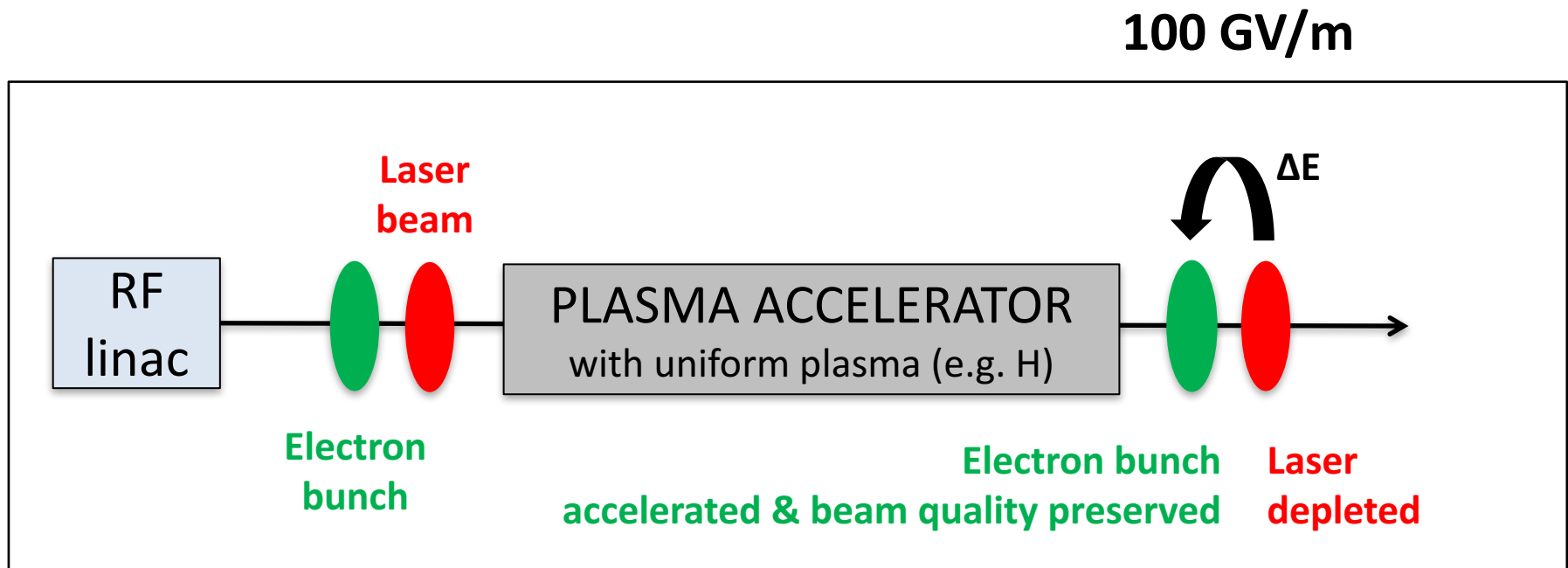
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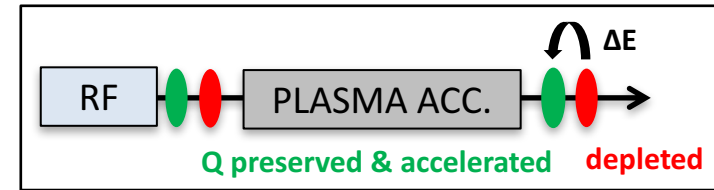
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- “Compact/table-top” sources = **10's of meters rather than a kilometer** (fits on a trailer of a truck)

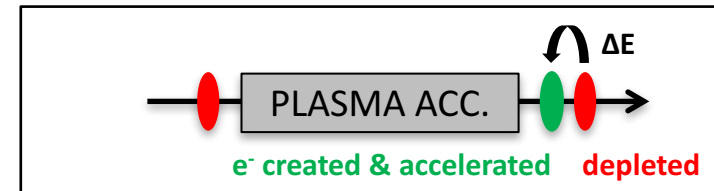
- Plasma accelerators can be driven by lasers or electron beams
- EuPRAXIA studies 5 different approaches



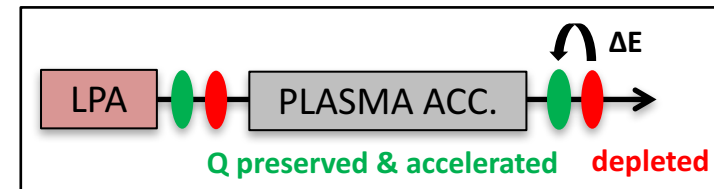
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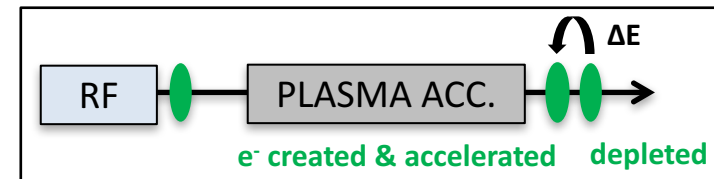
2) LPA with electron bunch created in plasma directly
(LWFA with internal injection)



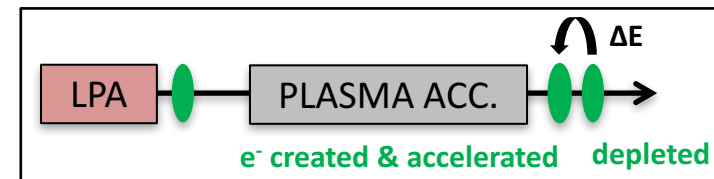
3) LPA electron injector + LPA
(LWFA with external injection from a LPA)



4) RF electron bunch as beam driver in LPA
(PWFA with an RF electron beam)

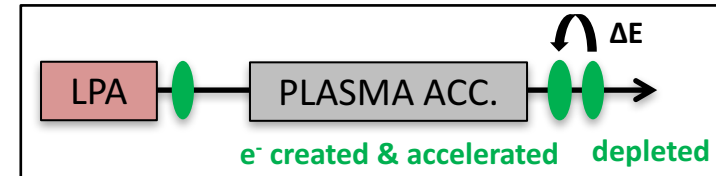
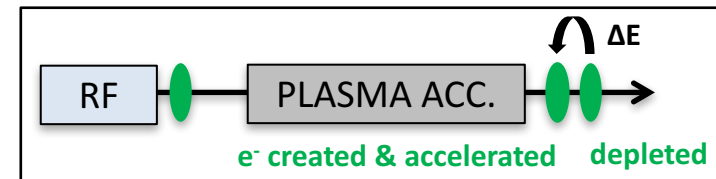
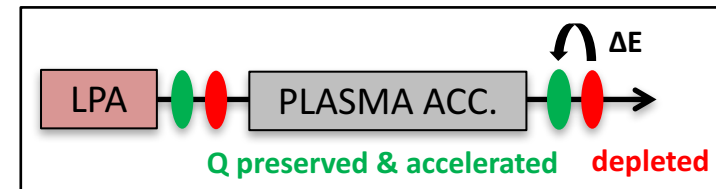
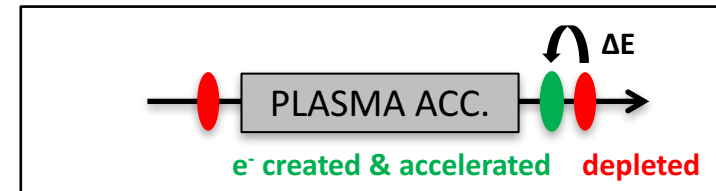
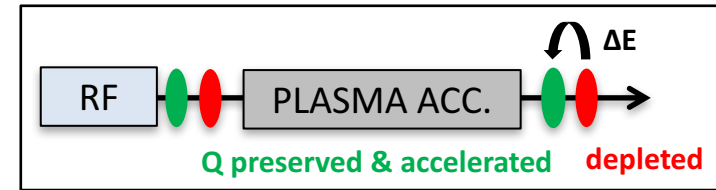


5) RF electron bunch as driver in a hybrid stage
(PWFA with LWFA produced electron beam or Trojan Horse scheme)



● Laser beam ● Electron beam

- Science & practical considerations will determine final choice of configuration(s)
- EuPRAXIA layout is being optimized for best synergy of lasers & RF technology

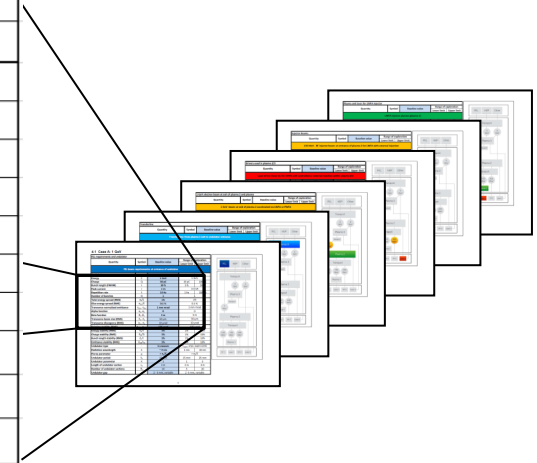


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Quantity	Symbol	Baseline value	Range of exploration	
			Lower limit	Upper limit
Particle type	e-	Electrons	Electrons	
Energy	E	5 GeV	5 GeV	
Charge	Q	30 pC	15 pC	100 pC
Bunch length (FWHM)	τ	10 fs	3 fs	30 fs
Peak current	I	3 kA	3-5 kA	
Repetition rate	f	10 Hz	1 Hz	100 Hz
Number of bunches	N	1	1	
Total energy spread (RMS)	σ_E/E	1%	1%	
Slice energy spread (RMS)	$\sigma_{E,s}/E$	0.1%	0.1%	
Transverse normalized emittance	$\epsilon_{N,x}, \epsilon_{N,y}$	1 mm mrad	1 mm mrad	



- EuPRAXIA will be a low power accelerator aiming at high quality (later higher rep. rate)

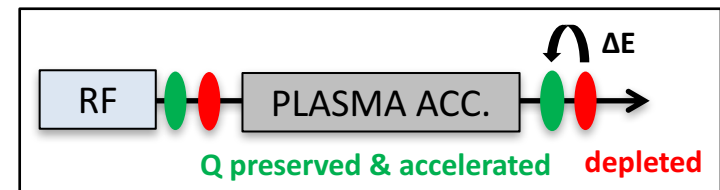
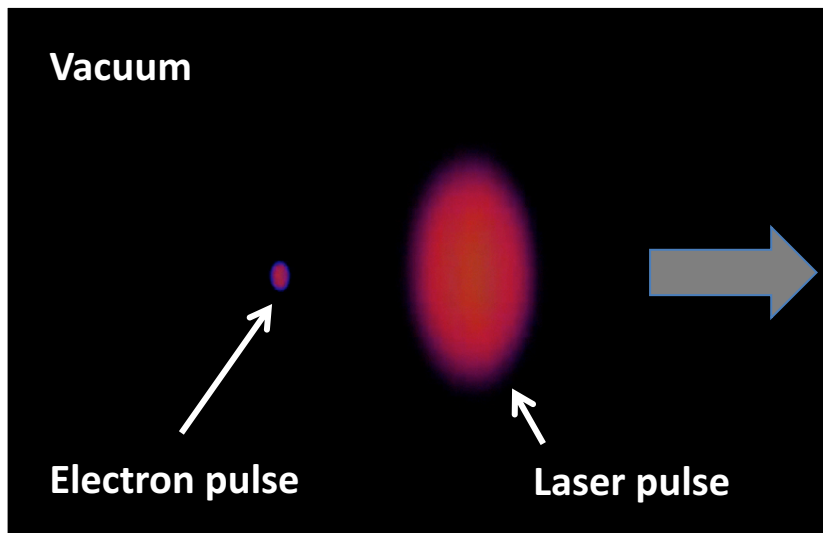
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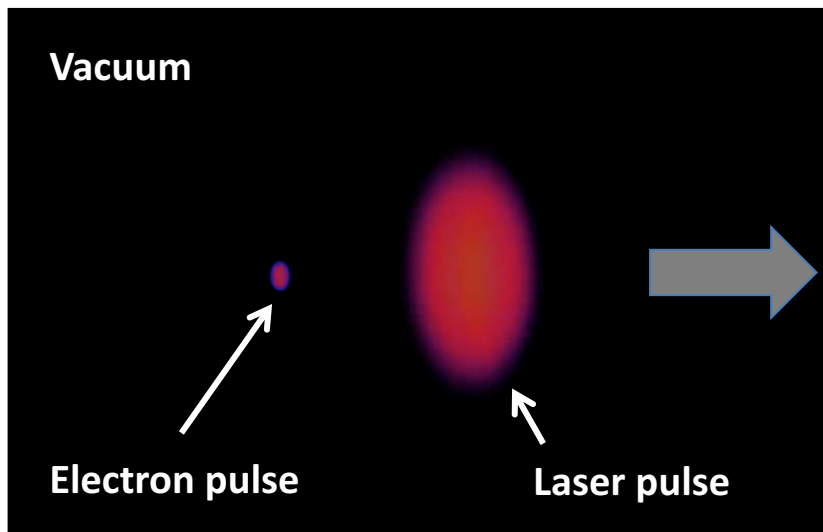
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Initial electron beam:

$E = 100 \text{ MeV}$,

Relative energy spread = **0.1 %**

Norm. trans. emittance = **1 mm mrad**

$Q = 1 \text{ pC}$, $\tau = 3.3 \text{ fs (rms)}$, $\sigma_x = 1.3 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$

Laser pulse:

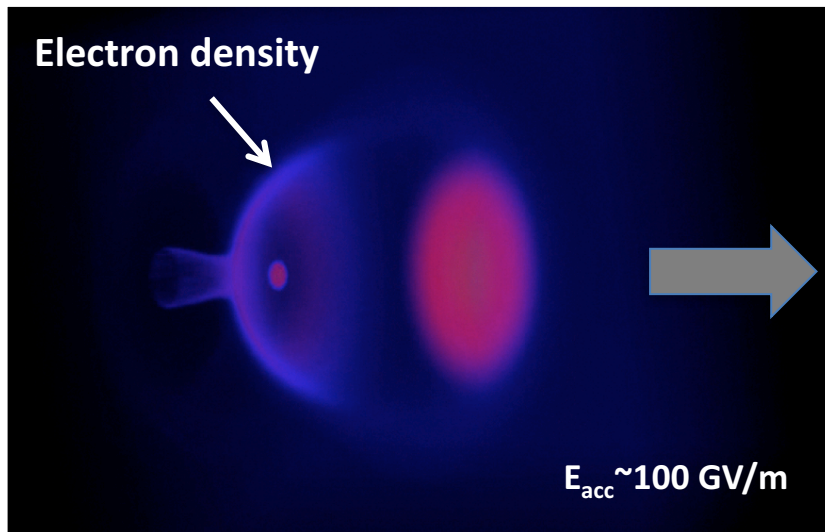
$a_0 = 3.1$, $\lambda = 800 \text{ nm}$, $I_{\text{FWHM}} = 100 \text{ fs}$,

$w_0 = 54 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$, $E = 100 \text{ J}$, **1 PW peak power**

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The acceleration regime:

close to blowout
 2D simulation: the 3D animation was made assuming cylindrical symmetry

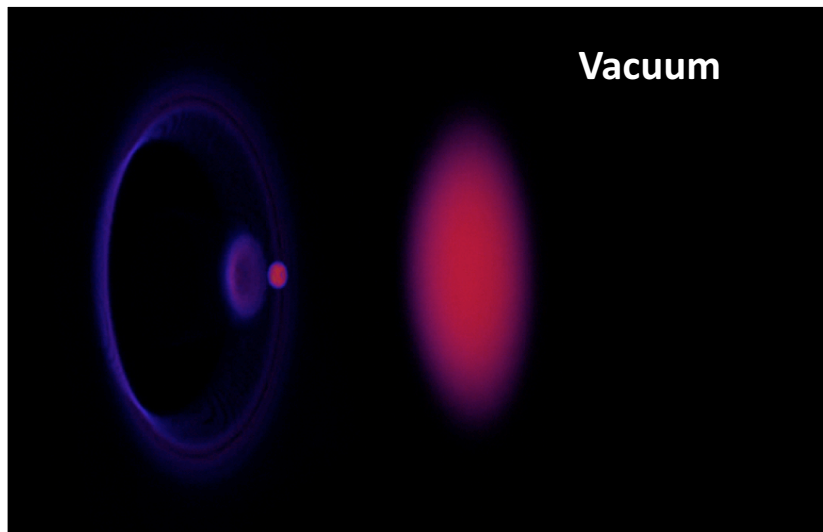
Plasma:

Density = $1.2 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
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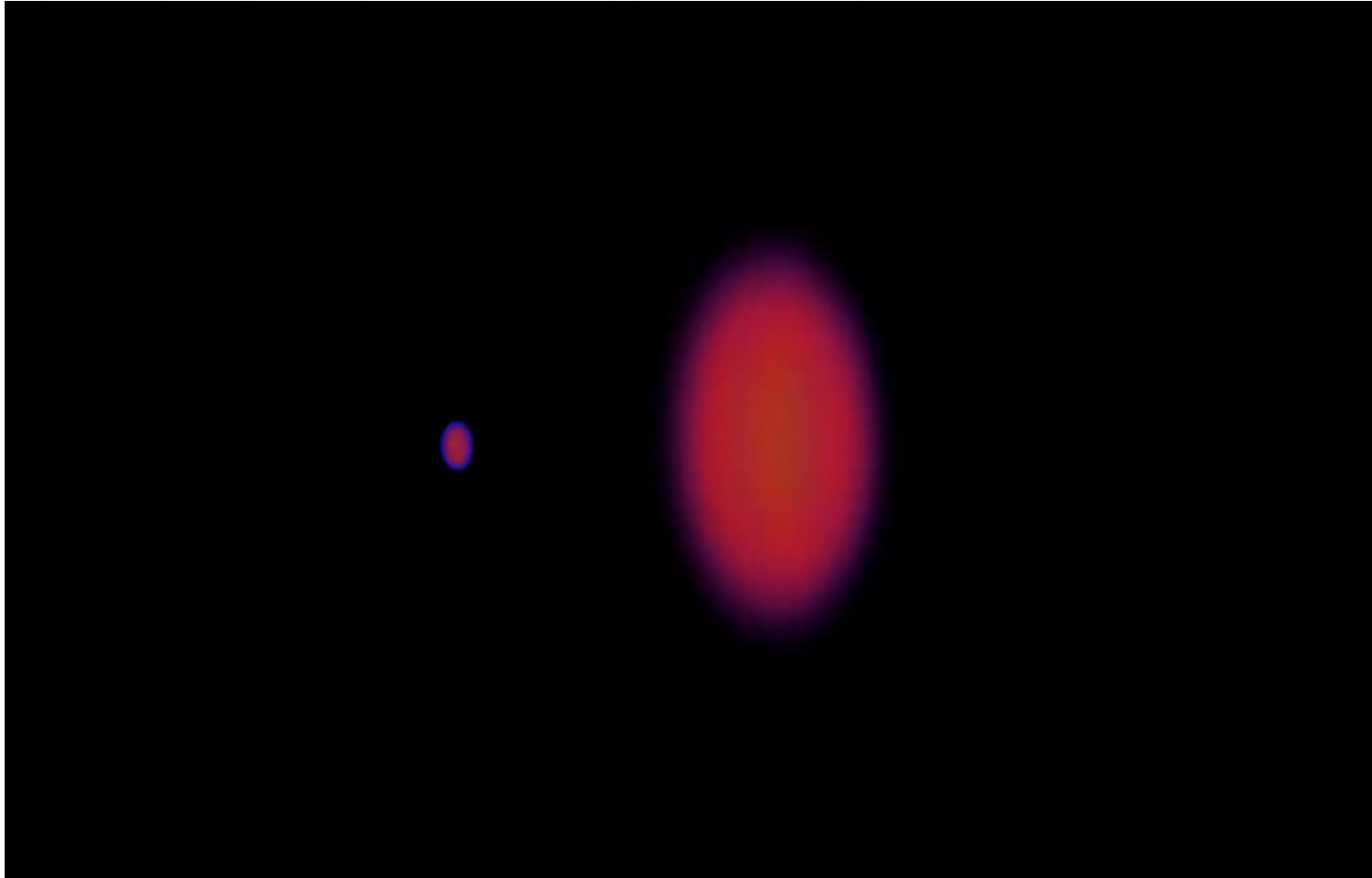
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Electron beam after plasma:
 Energy = **1 GeV** (initial 100 MeV)
 Relative energy spread = **1.5%** (initial 0.1 %)
 Normalized emittance = **0.995 $\mu\text{rad m}$**
 (initial 0.99 $\mu\text{rad m}$)

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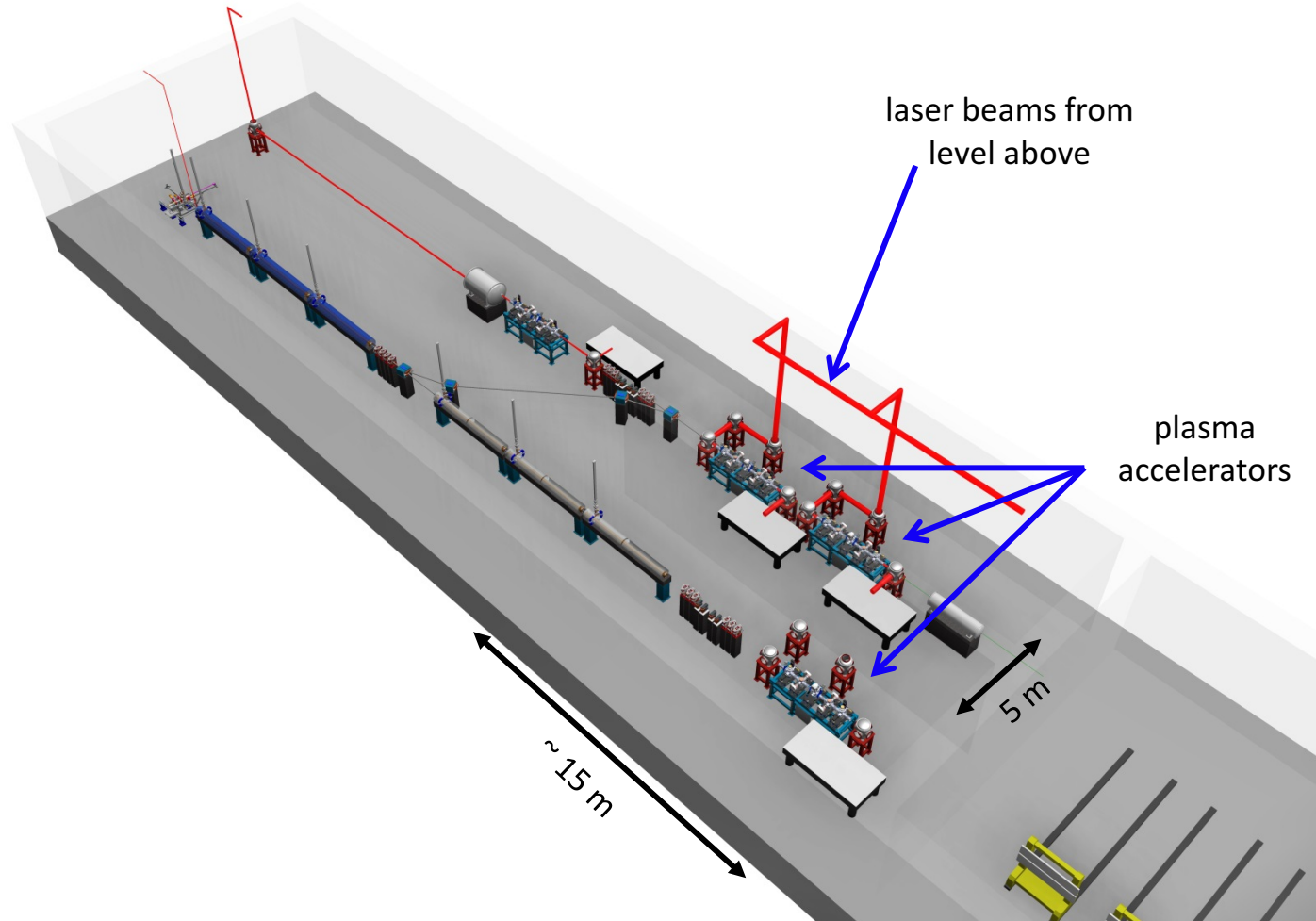
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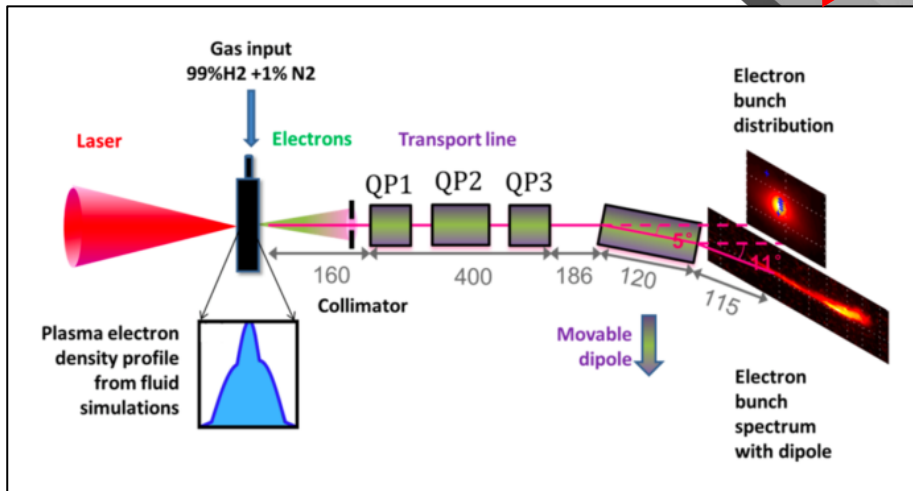
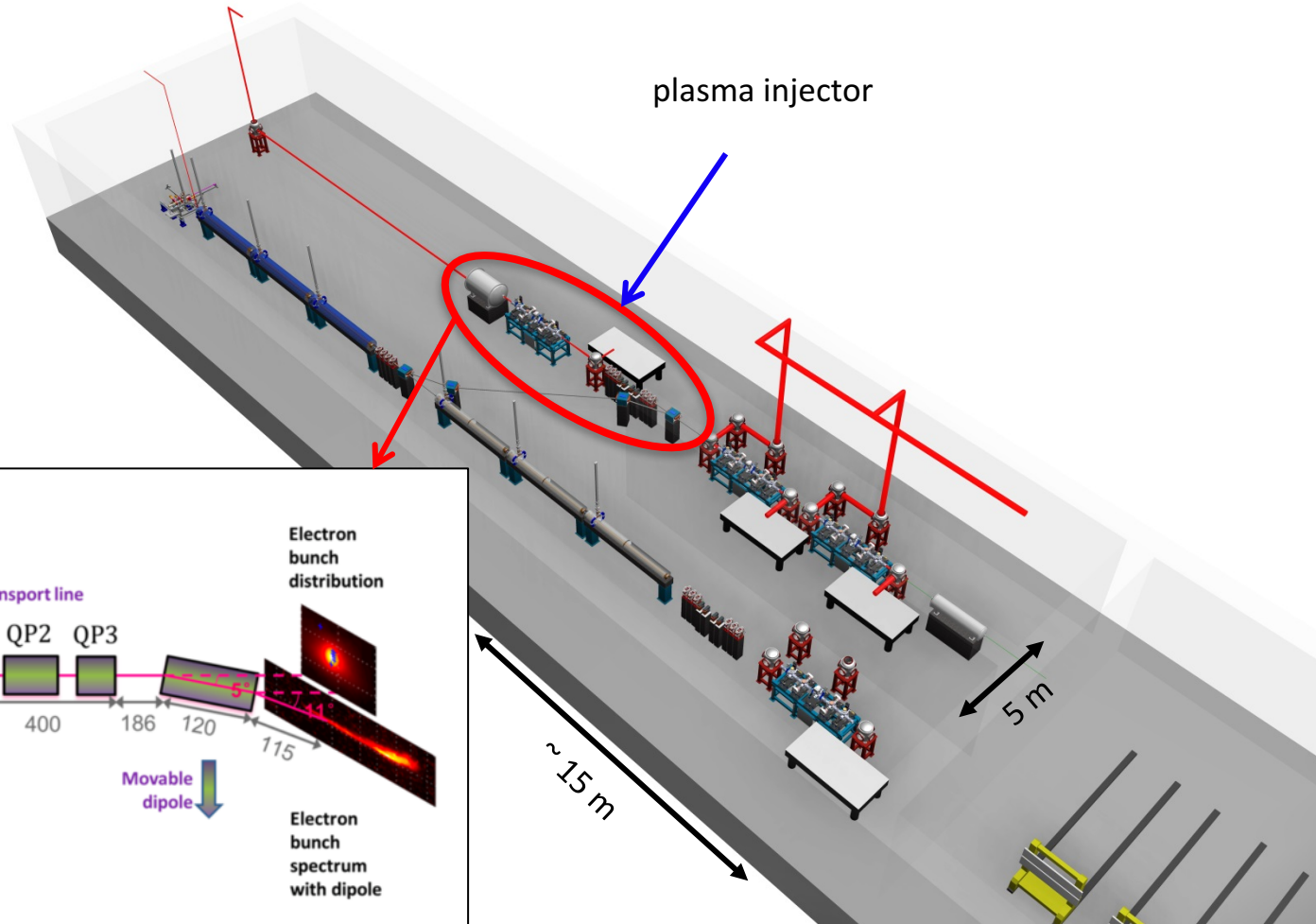
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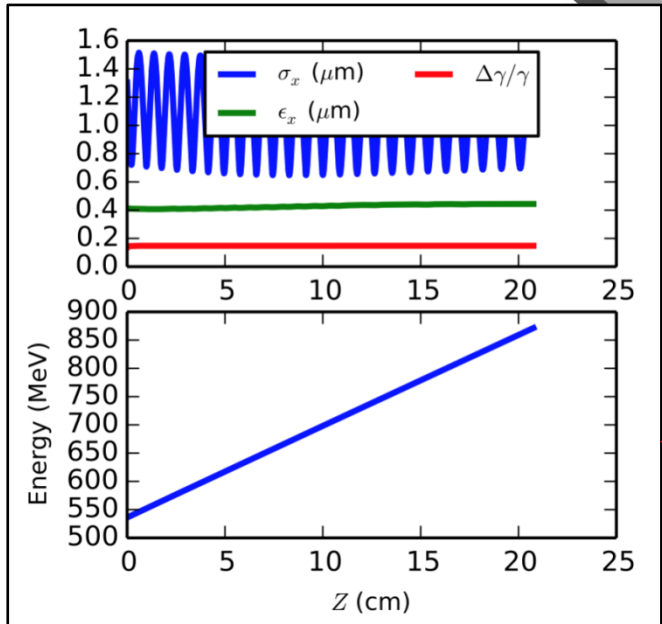
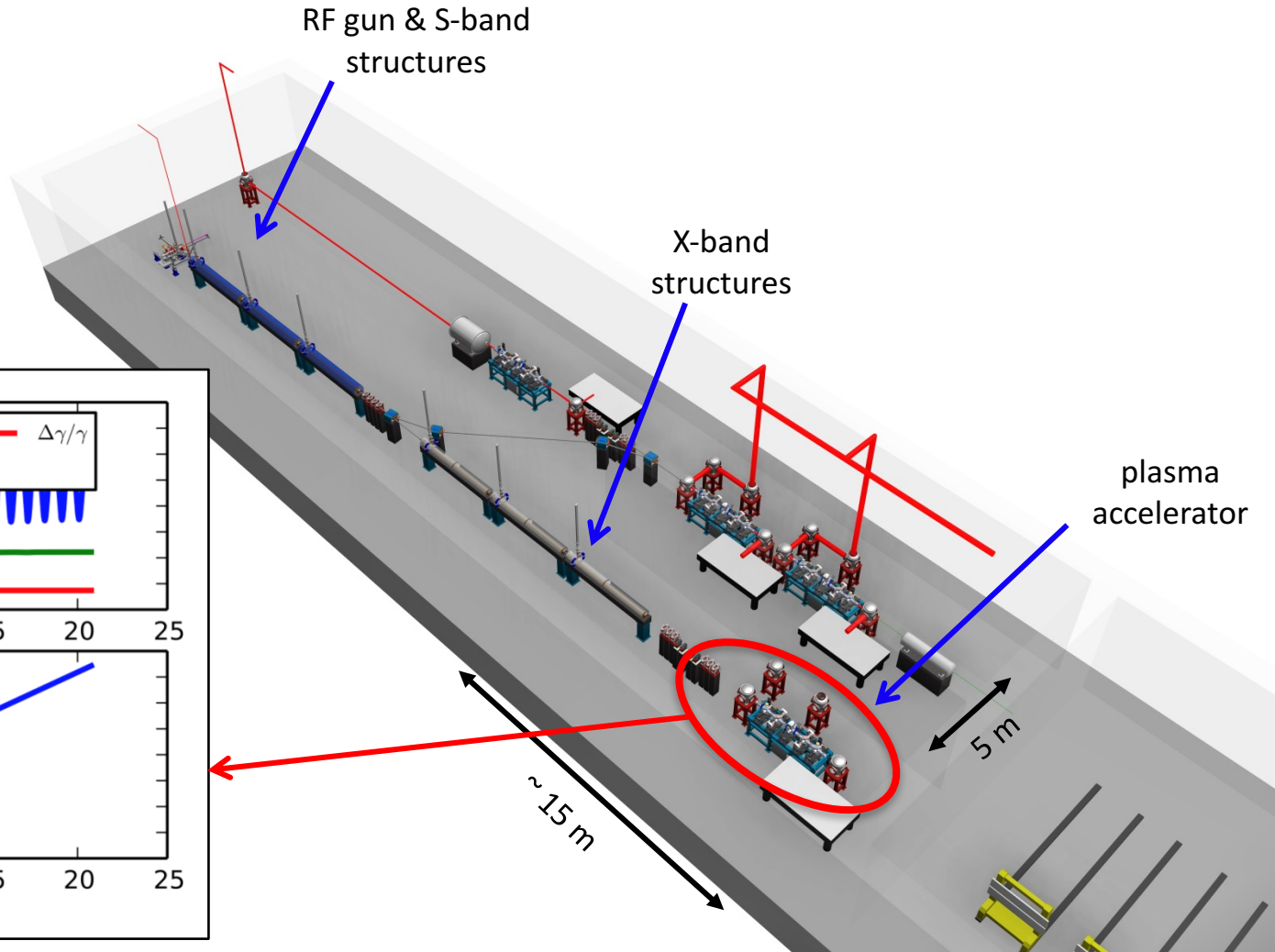


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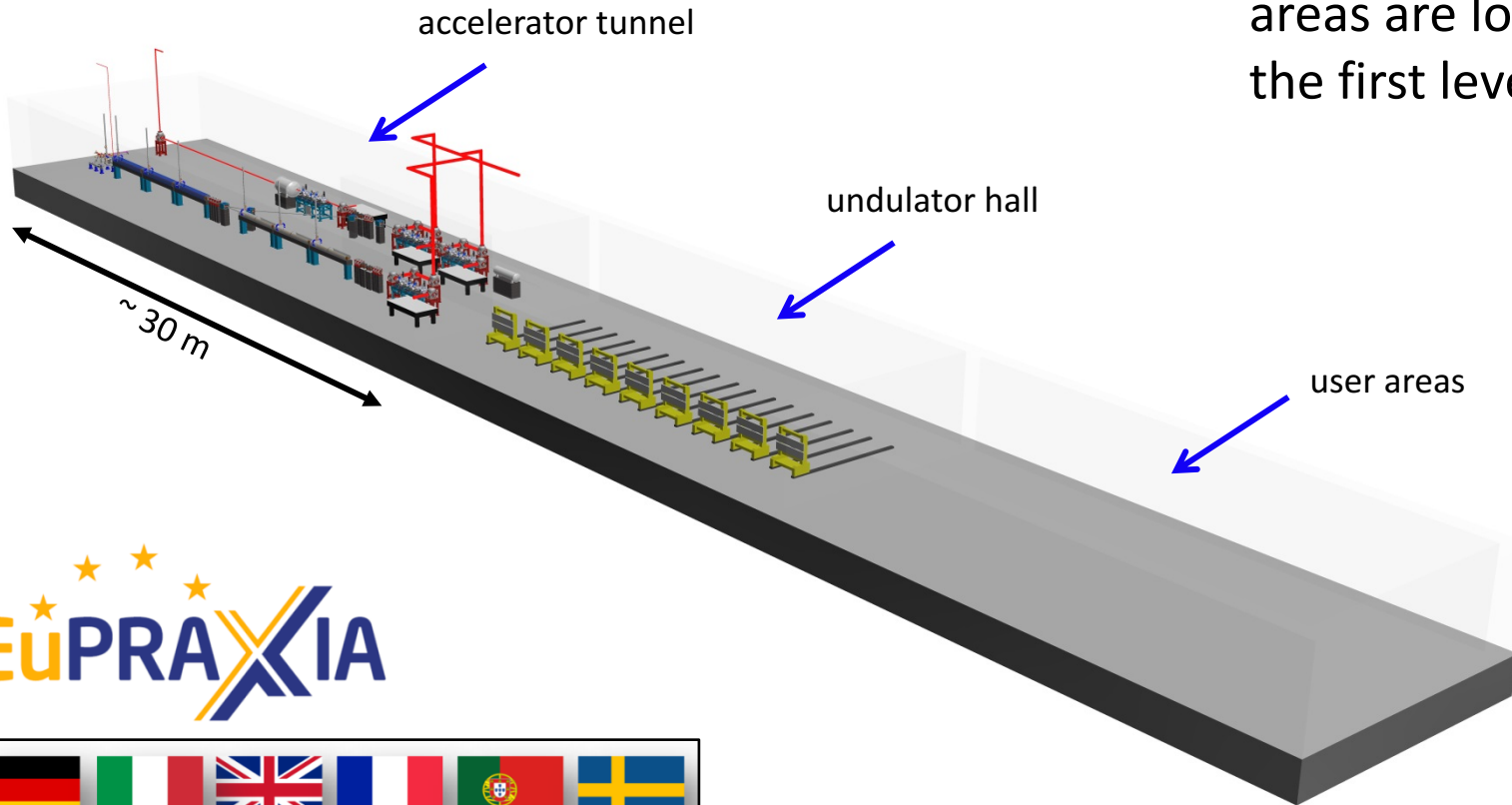
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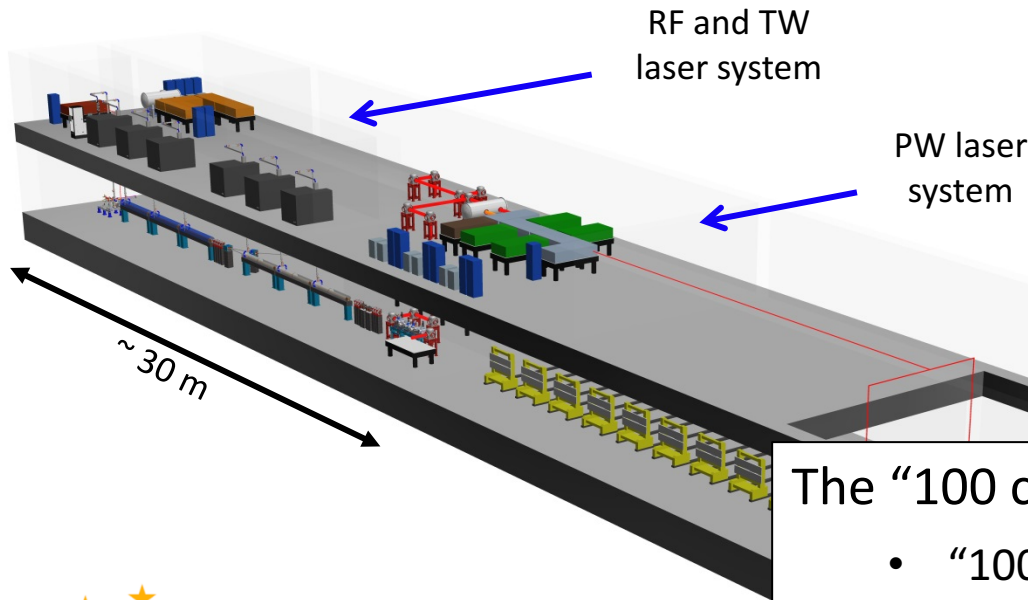
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Accelerator research, undulators and user areas are located on the first level



See poster: P.A.Walker et al., 'Layout and space considerations for EuPRAXIA', IPAC'17, **TUPIK012**

RF and laser infrastructure on second level



The “100 cube laser challenge”:

- “100 cube” = 100 J, 100 fs, 100 Hz
=> 1PW @ 100Hz
- Not a complete Ti:Sa laser system
- Diode-pumped solid-state laser scheme
- 2nd laser system (Ti:Sa) operates at lower energy and shorter pulse length



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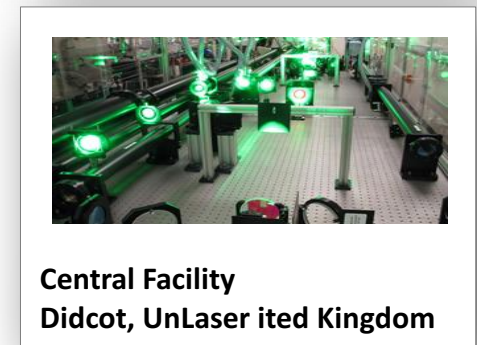
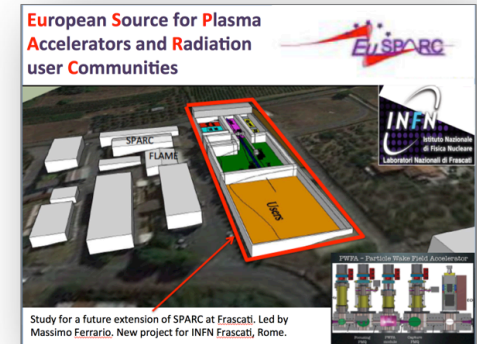
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 - Performance, required tolerances, footprint and cost will be assessed
 - **We hope for significant cost benefit** from this new technology

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- EuPRAXIA design study is site independent
- Five possible sites have been discussed so far
- We invite the suggestions of additional sites







See booth number 20 from The University of Liverpool for more information on EuPRAXIA.

PLASMA ACCELERATION

Conventional accelerators employ oscillating radio frequency (RF) fields to accelerate charged particles. The accelerating rate in these devices is restricted by electrical breakdown in the accelerating tube. This limits the amount of acceleration over any given space, requiring very long accelerators to reach high energies.

A new paradigm in particle acceleration

A new paradigm for particle acceleration was conceived in 1978 by Tsiang Tsiang and John M. Dawson [1]. The idea was to use an external gas or plasma to maintain the high electric fields required to accelerate particles. The advantage of plasma accelerators is that their acceleration fields can be ten times stronger than those of conventional RF accelerators.

The electron fields are created by striking a laser pulse on a particle beam through a gas or a plasma. The electron beam, which is created by the laser pulse, propagates through the plasma, displacing the negatively charged electrons from the positively charged ions. This local ionization produces positive and negative charges in the wake of the driving beam, creating high electric fields, of the order of 100 gigavolts per meter. Any electrons trapped in between the fields will be pushed to the back of the wake and be accelerated. This is the principle of a laser-driven plasma accelerator [2]. In this scheme, the electron beam is accelerated by the laser pulse, which is then accelerated by the plasma. The electron beam is then accelerated by the plasma.

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Advantages of plasma accelerators

- Acceleration rates 2 - 3 orders of magnitude higher than conventional accelerators, making the total acceleration length by 100x to 1,000 times.
- Plasma acceleration operates at the breakdown limit that restricts the accelerating rate in metallic RF structures.
- Ultra-short electron bunches, opening up exciting new opportunities for research, in the development of ultra-fast processes in biomedicine.
- The lasers required for driving plasma accelerators have become available from European companies, offering a supply chain that is not only comparable to that of conventional RF accelerators but also developing in a more dynamic and innovative way.

Current limitations

Plasma accelerators presently offer lower beam energy and lower beam quality than conventional accelerators. Short run times and optimization are only recently becoming a priority. The operation of plasma accelerators is so far limited to working hours and days, and the switching on and off generation remains a costly process.

EuPRAXIA addresses specifically these limitations by an extensive program of research focused in the different work packages.

Figure 2: A plasma in an ion beam gas, that is, a state of matter in which electrons are detached from their atoms, which forms a plasma. This plasma is then accelerated by a laser pulse, which is then accelerated by the plasma. The electron beam is then accelerated by the plasma.

Experimental demonstration

The first experimental demonstration of wakefield acceleration (WFA) was reported by a group from Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) in 1988 [3]. In 2002, ANL used electron beams was obtained at SLAC using WFA in just 80 cm [2], whereas a conventional accelerator would have required 2 km to reach the same energy. Scientists at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) used WFA to accelerate electrons to 7 GeV in about 5.5 cm [4]. In 2014, the BELLA Laser Center at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory produced electron beams up to 4.2 GeV [5].

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DESIGNING THE FUTURE

The EuPRAXIA Consortium is preparing a conceptual design for the world's first multi-GeV plasma based accelerator with industrial beam quality and dedicated user areas.

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

EuPRAXIA uses advanced technologies and techniques to design and build the world's first multi-GeV plasma based accelerator. The consortium is developing a range of technologies, including laser-driven plasma acceleration, ultra-short electron bunches, and high-current electron beams.

OPENING NEW HORIZONS

The project will bring the age of plasma accelerators into the 21st century. It will open up new opportunities for research in the fields of biomedicine, materials science, and fundamental physics.

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

EuPRAXIA brings together a consortium of 12 European countries from 12 different states. The project is coordinated by DESY, supported by STFC, INFN, and other leading research organizations.

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Foreword

Recent acceleration has seen strong advances not only in achievable beam energy but also in beam quality. This success story is still developing, as you can see from the publications that we collect in this first edition of "The EuPRAXIA Files". As many of you are aware, the Horizon2020 Stage 1 EuPRAXIA area is a conceptual design for a European plasma accelerator with multi-GeV energy, being the common goal for EuPRAXIA has meanwhile had an excellent project start and is gaining up to a working phase in the end of 2016, supported together with the European Research Council (ERC) and DESY. For further news on EuPRAXIA please visit our website or read regular updates in "Accelerating news". We will also continue to publish news in the edition of "The EuPRAXIA Files", prepared by the EuPRAXIA outreach team in concert with the EuPRAXIA team.

Research Highlights

Berkeley Lab Scientists Create the First-ever, 2-Stage Laser Plasma Accelerator
 Powered by Independent Laser Pulses

Researchers from the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in the US have made an important breakthrough in the development of ultra-compact high-energy plasma-based accelerators.

In a paper recently published in *Nature*, they demonstrate for the first time the technique of staging or sequencing multiple plasma accelerators. Independently powered stages are used to sequentially accelerate a beam of electrons, which is then injected into a second plasma accelerator, all in a matter of centimeters. This technique allows for higher energy plasma accelerators, all in a matter of centimeters. Higher laser energies, while maintaining maximum gradient values of magnitude above conventional technology.

In these experiments, electrons from one laser plasma accelerator were injected into a second, parallel plasma accelerator, powered by a second laser pulse. This technique allows for higher energy plasma accelerators, all in a matter of centimeters. Higher laser energies, while maintaining maximum gradient values of magnitude above conventional technology.

With this result, one can envision scaling to beam energies of interest for high-energy physics applications in a compact footprint. However, these results are a first step toward that vision: requirements of higher beam energy, with higher efficiency and improved beam quality, will need to be performed to further develop plasma-based technology for general use.

Read more at: <https://www.lbl.gov/press-rel/2016/05/20160521-two-stage-laser-plasma-accelerator/>

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- This is a Horizon 2020 project and we acknowledged the essential support from the EU.
- Please visit posters for more details:
 - Á. Ferran Pousa, “Visualization code”, **TUPIK007**
 - P. A. Walker, “EuPAXIA Layout”, **TUPIK012**
 - F. Filippi et al., “Gas-filled capillaries” **TUPIK023**
 - B. Cros et al., “Electron injector”, **WEPVA001**

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